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In re Patent Application of	)	
William T. Griffin et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1731
Application No.: 10/608,089	)	Examiner: DIONNE W. MAYES
Filed: June 30, 2003	)	Confirmation No.: 8124
For: STAND FOR ELECTRICALLY	)	
HEATED CIGARETTE SMOKING	)	
DEVICE	)	

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

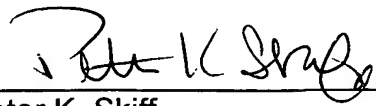
In response to the election/restriction requirement set forth in the Official Action dated March 14, 2006, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the species covered by Group II, an electrically heated cigarette smoking device, including a stand which requires a base configured to support an electric smoking device, which includes electrical contacts, said base being operable to supply electrical power to a rechargeable power supply, Claims 7-17. Upon allowance of a generic claim, rejoinder of the remaining claims is respectfully requested.

Early and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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